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Attached please find the Response to the Official Action mailed August 29, 2001.

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| Application Number<br><b>09/262,778</b>   | Filed<br><b>03/04/99</b>                       |
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed August 29, 2001, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of the following amendments to the Claims and comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute the following amended claims for like numbered claims in the existing application. Marked up versions showing changes relative to the previous version of the following claims are included in attached Appendix I.

A1 Sub 2. (amended) A method for determining the position of a feature within the scan that is effective at the operating frequency of the scan and using a limited bandwidth video signal, comprising the steps of:  
using a sample having a black to white video transition as a reference feature  
unblanking the beam for a short period;  
advancing the unblanked period along the line by a small increment each succeeding scan;